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Fluoridation Treatment Capital Cost Estimate Updates

Senate Bill 96 (Chapter 727, Statutes of 2004) changed existing state law to require all public water systems with 10,000 or more service connections to submit updated capital cost estimates for the installation of fluoridation treatment facilities to the Department of Health Services (Department) at ten (10) year intervals with the next submittal due to the Department by July 1, 2006.

Our records indicate that your water system must submit a capital cost estimate for the installation of fluoridation treatment. The Department has available for your use the *"Fluoridation Cost Estimate Worksheet for Public Water Systems"* on our website at www.dhs.ca.gov/ps/ddwem/publications.

Additionally, the Department has available upon request, a copy of the original fluoridation treatment cost estimate worksheets submitted in 1996 to assist you in completing your new cost estimate.

It is important that you complete the *"Fluoridation Cost Estimate Worksheet for Public Water Systems"*. This worksheet requests basic information about your water system and is intended to provide guidance in the preparation of the capital cost estimate.

Although the statutory deadline for public water systems to submit cost estimates is July 1, 2006, the Department requests submittal of all fluoridation worksheets no later than June 1, 2006, to allow sufficient time for review and approval prior to the statutory deadline. The completed worksheet must be sent to:

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The satisfactory completion of the fluoridation worksheet will constitute compliance with the capital cost estimate submittal provision of the new state law. Failure to submit a completed worksheet by the statutory deadline of July 1, 2006, may result in the Department taking appropriate enforcement action as authorized under the statute.

To request a copy of your original cost estimate or if you have any other questions regarding this letter, please contact ~~Gary D. Hoffmann at (916) 449-5623 or e-mail at ghoffman@dhs.ca.gov~~ David R. Lancaster at (916) 445-4218 or e-mail at dlancast@dhs.ca.gov (updated 5/12/06).

Sincerely,

Originally signed by

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